

# ALBACON '88

## PROGRESS REPORT I

THERE NOW FOLLOWS A STANDARD SF FETTER CONVENTION WITH PIOUS PROMISES AND FORMALISED WARRING ON BEHALF OF THE ALBACON PARTY

We can make a good start at this point by telling you that we will not be having any games, panels, quizzes, talks, films, videos or speeches. Also, we will not be having a cherry, as our quest of honour, nor will the convention take place in a room used at the Capital Hotel on the 29th July to 1st August.

Now, do we have your attention? Well, I thought so. You see the problem with every convention progress report is that it is so tedious you everything but tells you nothing. So, we think it would be a good idea if we tell you the truth.

As far as we know C.O. Cherry is coming and will be giving the customary speech, taking part in some panels and speaking in this year's controversial debate, more of which you can read on page

We are also proud to announce that we do not yet know who is going to be our special guest, but we have already asked three progress guests and unfortunately they have turned us down. As yet we have resolved the problem by

We are over the moon about the idea of trying to have there in the programme (all you know that this summer marks the 100th anniversary of the birth of the first SF novel, *The War of the Worlds*) so if the details are correct they better look like a good idea now as we will be in the midst of the overgrown Glasgow Garden Festival. I can just see the red mud engulfing the sides of the River Clyde now. So

idea will feature a number of zero items which, as far as we know, have never been seen at an SF convention before.

As well as celebrating our 10th anniversary (yes, that's right folks, it's been ten years since the first Glasgow convention) we will also be celebrating Easter, Halloween, Christmas and New Year all in one weekend. Sounds strange you say? Well, we will be keeping it under wraps till the next PR but it's sure going to be different.

And to keep you happy, yes, we will be having games, talks, quizzes, more films and talks etc. We can assure you that your faithful committee has been working day and night around the world gathering information and sometimes of this that we assure you will lead to a possible programme. In the next words of our ever-steady chairman Mike Kelley "...we are at an advanced stage of conceptualisation, but the programme is coming along nicely now".

Don't worry folks, it's all coming together. The biggest problem we have at the moment is keeping an ample supply of tea, coffee and biscuits for the committee members. Having or not having a packet of Gurney's can mean the difference between a successful programme and a disaster. So, please folks and keep those suggestions coming in.

See you all in the bar.

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